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SUBJECT: ANGOLA: WASH POST REPORT ON GARBA PRESS CONFERENCE

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1. POLCOUNS CALLED ON MFA DIRECTOR AFRICAN DEPT AMBASSADOR FUAD AL-BIDIEWI FEBRUARY 10. BIDIEWI HAD SEEN GARBA PRESS REPORT AND APPRECIATED DEPT'S CONFIRMATION THAT NO CHANGE HAD TAKEN PLACE IN US POLICY TOWARD ANGOLA.

2. BIDIEWI WAS, HOWEVER, OBVIOUSLY CONCERNED WITH TREND FAVORING MPLA. HE SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED (A) CONGRESSIONAL OPPOSITION TO AID FOR ANGOLA; (B) MAJORITY OF 25 OAU MEMBERS RECOGNIZING MPLA; (C) WAFLING BY ZAIRE AS EVIDENCE BY REFUSING TRANSIT OF MERCENARIES; AND (D) MPLA SUCCESSES ON THE GROUND. BIDIEWI SEEMED TO BE SAYING THAT HE SAW LITTLE CONSTITUTIONAL OR OTHER POSSIBILITY OF PREVENTING MPLA FROM BEING ACCEPTED AS OAU MEMBER AT NEXT OAU MINISTERS MEETING. HE SEEMED RELIEVED BY REPORT THAT 22 STATES HAVE AGREED TO UPPER VOLTA'S PROPOSAL FOR POSTPONING MEETING UNTIL SECOND WEEK OF MARCH.
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